

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA**

ELLEN W. GERBER; PEARL BERLIN;  
LYN MCCOY; JANE BLACKBURN;  
ESMERALDA MEJIA; CHRISTINA  
GINTER-MEJIA, for herself and as guardian  
*ad litem* for J.G.-M., a minor;

Plaintiffs,

v.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 1:14-cv-00299

ROY COOPER, in his official capacity as the  
Attorney General of North Carolina; JEFF  
THIGPEN, in his official capacity as the  
Register of Deeds for Guilford County;  
DONNA HICKS SPENCER, in her official  
capacity as the Register of Deeds for Catawba  
County; JOHN W. SMITH, in his official  
capacity as the Director of the North Carolina  
Administrative Office of the Courts; AL  
JEAN BOGLE, in her official capacity as the  
Clerk of the Superior Court for Catawba  
County;

Defendants

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL APPEARANCE**

Pursuant to Local Rule 83.1(d), please take notice of the special appearance of Rose

A. Saxe of the American Civil Liberties Union Foundation as counsel of record for the  
Plaintiffs in the above-captioned civil action.

Ms. Saxe certifies that she is an active member in good standing of the bar of the  
State of New York. Ms. Saxe further certifies that she understands that by entering an

appearance she submits to the disciplinary jurisdiction of the Court for any misconduct in connection with the above-captioned civil action for which she is specially appearing and that she will ensure that an attorney who is familiar with the case and has authority to control the litigation will be at all conferences, hearings, trials and other proceedings.

Ms. Saxe is appearing in the above-captioned civil action in association with Jonathan D. Sasser and Jeremy M. Falcone. Mr. Sasser and Mr. Falcone are active members in good standing of the bar of this Court. Mr. Sasser and Mr. Falcone certify that they remain responsible to this Court for the conduct of the litigation and acknowledge that one of them must sign all pleadings and papers, except for certificates of service. Mr. Sasser and Mr. Falcone further certify that one of them will be present during pretrial conferences, potentially dispositive proceedings and at trial.

This 25th day of August, 2014.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on August 25, 2014, I electronically filed the foregoing **NOTICE OF SPECIAL APPEARANCE** with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification of such filing to counsel of record for Defendants.

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